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- 7. Prior to 27 July 1953, Herrnstadt had exercised complete control over the editorial policies of Neues Deutschland. After his removal two factions were formed, a pro-Herrnstadt group consisting of Otto Behrend, Heinz Friedrich, Walter Graul, Klaus Huhn, and Georg Kraus, and an anti-Herrnstadt group consisting of Wilhelm Girnus, Alfred Reinert, and Heinz Schliffke.
- 8. Approximately three weeks after Herrnstadt's removal Margot Pfannstiel left Neues Peutschland. Her present whereabouts or activities are unknown.
- 9. After Herrnstadt's removal there was a general wave of dismissals of employees of the newspaper which continued through October 1953.
- 10. The following staff members of <u>Newes Deutschland</u> were in regular contact with the Central Committee of the UDD: Herrnstadt, Keinz Friedrich, Tilholm Girnus, Talter Graul, Georg Krauss, Alfred Reinert, and Eilo Thoms. Several representatives of the Central Committee also visited the editorial offices daily.
- Heinz Schliffke, editor for science and technical matters, maintains regular contact with the SSD. His section is probably a camouflaged SCD office in the newspaper.
- 12. The wife of Georg Krause, née Mansk, is the director of the Druckereiaund Verlagskonter in the vicinity of Alexanderplatz. This institute is a roof organization for supra-Party publishing ventures. The Berliner Verlag, the publishing house Die Tirtschoft and possibly the publishing house of Der freie Bauer belong to this organization.
- 13. The publishing and editorial offices of <u>Neues Deutschland</u> have a total of 74 passenger cars assigned to them; the printing office, 62 passenger cars and trucks.

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